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RE: New Patent Application in U.S.  
Applicant(s): Mark TEPPER et al.  
Title: IFNAR2/IFN COMPLEX  
Atty's Docket: TEPPER=1A

Sir:

Attached herewith is the above-identified application for Letters Patent including:

- [X] Specification (66 pages), claims (7 pages), abstract (1 page) and sequence listing section (7)
- [X] 17 Sheets Drawings (Figures 1-17)
  - [X] Formal [ ] Informal
- [X] The inventors of this application are:
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- [ ] Preliminary Amendment
- [ ] Supplemental Preliminary Amendment
- [ ] Information Disclosure Statement with ( ) references
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The following statements are applicable:

- [ ] The benefit under 35 USC §119 is claimed of the filing date of:  
Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ A  
certified copy of said priority document  
[ ] is attached  
[ ] was filed in progenitor case \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_
- [X] The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional application no. 60/068,295, filed 19 December 1997.
- [ ] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

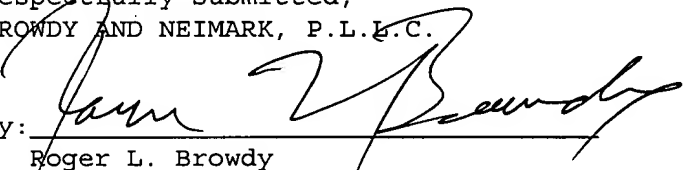
- [ ] The undersigned attorney of record hereby appoints associate power of attorney, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith to:
- [X] In accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(a) and (b), it is respectfully requested that a serial number and filing date be assigned to this application as of the date of receipt of the present papers. In accordance with the present procedures of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, an executed Declaration and the filing fee for the present application will be filed in due course.
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